

PERE MARQUETTE SALE IS INDORSED

Reorganization Committees
Favor Foreclosure on
Company's Bonds.

NEW ISSUES DECIDED ON

Purchase Syndicate Will Re-
ceive Holdings From
Loan Syndicate.

Executor
Chartered 1822
Trustee
The Farmers' Loan and Trust Company
Nos. 16, 18, 20 & 22 William Street
Branch Office, 475 Fifth Avenue
New York

LONDON, 15 Cockspur St., S. W., 26 Old Broad St., E. C.
PARIS, 41 Boulevard Haussmann. BERLIN, 56 Unter den Linden, N. W. 7

Travelers' Letters of Credit. Foreign Exchange.
Administrator
Guardian

A plan of readjustment of the Pere Marquette Railroad Company has been approved by the three protective committees engaged in the reorganization, it was announced yesterday by the reorganization managers, J. W. Seligman & Co., Robert Winthrop & Co., and E. V. R. Thayer. In the view of reorganization the managers were assured by L. F. Powers, president of the Delaware and Hudson Railway, and J. W. Kendrick, who made an exhaustive report on the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific for the receiver, and one of the committees.

The plan calls for the sale under foreclosure of all property of the Pere Marquette. The new company will have an authorized issue of \$75,000,000 of first mortgage bonds carrying interest at a rate not to exceed 6 per cent.; \$11,000,000 of 5 per cent. cumulative preferred stock; \$12,429,000 5 per cent. preferred stock cumulative as to dividends after January 1, 1919, and \$1,000,000 common stock.

All three classes of stock will be held for five years by a voting trust consisting of James S. Alexander, Frederick R. Hart, Frederick Strauss, Eugene V. R. Thayer, Robert Winthrop and Beekman Windrop.

The estimated cash requirements under the plan are \$16,000,000, to provide for which a purchase syndicate consisting of J. W. Seligman, Robert Winthrop & Co. and Kidder, Peabody & Co. will purchase \$6,000,000 first mortgage series A 5 per cent. cumulative preferred stock, prior preference stock to certificates, and \$6,475,000 common stock trust certificates. The syndicate will pay for these securities \$16,000,000 and accrued interest on the bonds and will receive a commission of 3 per cent. on the maximum aggregate value of \$16,000,000. An additional fee has been made for the underwriting of the cash required for payment to non-assenting holders of bonds or of any of the issues provided for in the plan.

The Guaranty Trust Company will form a holding company which will subscribe to the purchase syndicate funds up to 50 per cent. of the par amount of prior preference stock and common stock not subscribed for by security holders. It is expected that the other assentees will be payable not later than January 1, 1919. The reorganization managers will receive in compensation 5% of 1 per cent. on the aggregate principal amount of the new bonds to be issued and 1/4 of 1 per cent. upon the aggregate par value of the three classes of new stock. In addition the reorganization managers have the privilege of participating in any of the syndicates.

CHESAPEAKE & OHIO—Gross earnings for September were \$4,196,530, an increase of \$1,000,000 over August. Net earnings were \$1,000,000 showing a decrease of \$1,000,000 and surplus after charges \$14,382, a gain of \$1,000,000. Total net earnings for 9 months ended Sept. 30 gross earnings were \$14,382,000 or \$14,382 more than in 1915; net after taxes were \$1,000,000, an increase of \$1,000,000, and net after taxes \$1,000,000 or \$1,000,000 more than a year ago.

CHICAGO & ALTON—Reports for September gross earnings \$1,171,129, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000; for three months ended Sept. 30 gross earnings \$3,513,852, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000.

CINCINNATI, HAMILTON & DAYTON—Reports for September gross earnings \$4,331,128, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000; for three months ended Sept. 30 gross earnings \$12,925,914, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000.

DULUTH, MISSOURI & NORTHERN—September gross earnings were \$2,150,000, an increase of \$100,000 over last year's figure. Net earnings were \$1,000,000. Total net after taxes \$1,000,000. For three months ended Sept. 30 gross earnings were \$6,300,000, an increase of \$1,000,000, and net after taxes \$1,000,000 or \$1,000,000 more than a year ago.

ERIE—Gross earnings for September were \$1,000,000, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000; for three months ended Sept. 30 gross earnings \$3,000,000, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000.

LEHIGH VALLEY—Gross earnings for September were \$1,000,000, an increase of \$1,000,000, net after taxes were \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000; for three months ended Sept. 30 gross earnings were \$3,000,000, an increase of \$1,000,000, and net after taxes were \$1,000,000, a gain of \$1,000,000.

N. Y. SUSQUEHANNA & WESTERN—Reports for September gross earnings \$2,411,124, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000; for three months ended Sept. 30 gross earnings \$6,000,000, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000.

NEW YORK & NEW YORK—Reports for September gross earnings \$2,411,124, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000; for three months ended Sept. 30 gross earnings \$6,000,000, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000.

OHIO STATE TEL. CO.—Reports gross earnings for year ended June 30 \$1,000,000, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILWAY & LIGHT CO.—Has drawn for redemption Dec. 1 part and second interest payment to be made by Feb. 1, 1917, on \$1,000,000,000 of its 2 year 5% secured gold notes. Interest on notes drawn for redemption will cease Dec. 1. Holders have right to convert part or par into 100 shares of 5% preferred stock of the Pennsylvania Railroad & Light Co., subsidiary of Pennsylvania Railroad & Light Co.

PENNSYLVANIA OAKLAND TERMINAL—For three months ended Sept. 30 gross earnings \$1,000,000, net after taxes \$1,000,000, net after tax day \$1,000,000.

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